

AGRICULTURAL.

How to Soften Hard Times.

There is a general hue and cry of agricultural depression and hard times among the farmers. Over production, poor markets, and low prices, until they feel they are on the verge of financial ruin.

A farmer who seemed to feel no effect of the symptoms of financial depression when asked why he did not, replied, "I have always something to sell; I never lack an inferior article to market; I always give good weight and good measure, consequently I always find a ready market at paying prices for my produce."

Now this farmer is doing no more than you or I can do if we will put the same vim and amount of brains in our business that he does.

There is great advantage to the farmer to have something to sell at all times. The reader may scoff the idea, but I believe that little "dribble" have ruined more farmers than the danger of great debts, but does not notice little ones. I know, to have something for market of choice quality requires care and forethought; really it requires more forethought than labor. I have watched the markets, and have seen produce of choice quality find a ready sale, when it was entirely glutted with produce of common quality.

But some men are too proud to market small articles of produce, some have not time, they think, while others are too indolent and neglectful of business. Most every farmer has to visit his town once a week to purchase something for his family. Many rather keep an account at the store than to be troubled with small markets. I know a man who is making a farming pay, who always goes to town to sell every time he goes to town.

On public days he takes a nice basket of butter on one arm and a basket of eggs on the other, which will pay for his family needs that day. His more aristocratic neighbor goes too, but is too proud to carry anything to sell, therefore he is compelled to pay cash or go on "tick." Another goes, but has no time to take anything to sell, but goes and spends the day buying his family supplies on credit. Both these men lost the day as well as the first one did, but returned home two or three dollars deeper in debt, and at the end of the year, on delivering their tobacco accounts nearly equal or more than their tobacco brought them, while the first man has nearly as much tobacco as they, but his little markets paid his way, and therefore his tobacco money goes into his pocket, to meet losses and soften hard times.

The farmer could and should buy by barter almost entirely; the little crops and resources of the farm should be so diversified that there may be something to sell each week, enough at least to purchase the little necessities of family consumption. There are but few farmers who do not keep a few cows and farm fowls, that, if they are any ways cared for will give a surplus of butter and eggs. If there is no market for milk it can be given to pigs, which can be brought into market at paying figures. A good poultry yard well cared for will turn out eggs to sell all the time, with an occasional broiler, and a few turkeys for Thanksgiving and for Christmas holidays. A good garden will always produce something for market. A good orchard of well selected fruit will, a good portion of the time, produce something, either green or dried, for market. If the farmer will provide these things his wife will, and be glad of the chance, have it in marketable shape every time you want to go to town. In fact, I believe it would be well for the farmer to market at least twice a week, unless he lives too far, whether his family need supplies or not. He can thus gain a surplus for a "rainy day." Every farmer ought to try to bring his farm to produce some article out of the staple crops, and so instead of always going in debt, pay as he goes, he would have no need of complaint, or feel a depression and hard times.—*Thos. Baird in Southern Cultivator.*

Good Roads.

A prominent citizen of this State recently remarked in my hearing, that he would rather know that there was to be a good road from his county seat to every other county town in the State, than that the State was to be intersected by railroads sufficient to carry its products and have our roads remain as they are. I do not think this expression at all extravagant, as under this condition of things the interests of the State and the interests of individuals would be better served.

How these roads are to be obtained is the question for the people to determine. If under the present system, a very marked change in its application must take place. If under an improved system, public sentiment in Georgia must be very considerably aroused before the improvement is begun.

It requires but little insight and calculation to determine the importance and value of good roads. Earth roads are easily affected in condition by rains and subsequent travel. They are almost always in ruins if of clay, and soft and heavy if of sand. These conditions determine unfavorably the loads to be drawn over them, and very much depreciate the value of teams and vehicles by unnecessary heavy drafts.

Farmers are too apt to object to a direct tax to build improved roads, while, in the wear of wagons and the abuse of stock, they are submitting to an enormous indirect tax to have bad roads. This is just the nature of all our evils. The burden of the tariff comes at us, not directly, but covered up in the purchases of many paid going to an indirect tax, and only fifty-three per cent, being the legitimate purchasing price of the article bought. The farmer very properly objects to a tax of ten dollars to protect a manufacturing establishment in the sale of its products, and, yet, he quietly submits to an indirect tax for the very same purpose by allowing the government to increase the price of the article to demand more than double that amount of tax in its increased sale. So we find it with roads. The farmer objects, violently, to paying a tax of twenty dollars to establish a system of improved roads under the direction of the State, and willingly accepts bad roads under a self-imposed tax of fifty dollars in the necessary wear and tear of teams and loss of time, because of them. This is a matter to be discussed by organized farmers in the interest of economy. Shall we have good roads under a reduced cost, or bad roads and pay the heavy penalty indirectly under the losses on the farm?

Outside the matter of money, the satisfaction in traveling over good roads should be some inducement to have them. The heaviest cost would be in their original construction. Once properly built they become, in a measure, permanent. This subject is worthy of agitation and action by the people.—*W. J. Northern.*

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